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See MCI v. FCC, 515 F.2d 385 (D.C. Circ 1974).

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**HOMELAND SECURITY: MEDIA SECURITY AND RELIABILITY COUNCIL TO REVIEW  
INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS  
AT UPCOMING MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2003**

Washington, D.C. – Recommendations to ensure the continued operation and security of media infrastructure will be presented to leaders from the broadcast, cable and satellite industries at the biannual Media Security and Reliability Council (MSRC) meeting Thursday, November 6, 2003.

The meeting will convene from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Federal Communications Commission, in the Commission Meeting Room at 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

MSRC is a Federal Advisory Committee that reports to FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell. It is chaired by Dennis J. FitzSimons, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tribune Company. Chairman Powell formed MSRC following the events of September 11, 2001, in order to study, develop and report on best practices designed to assure the optimal reliability, robustness and security of the broadcast and multichannel video programming distribution industries.

The Communications Infrastructure Security, Access and Restoration Working Group will present detailed best practices recommendations relating to physical security, including prevention and restoration matters. The council members have until November 26, 2003, to vote on the recommendations. In addition, the Public Communications and Safety Working Group will report to the Council on an upcoming workshop they plan to conduct. They are preparing to study Tampa, Florida as a model for implementation of existing MSRC best practices recommendations, and to develop new recommendations based upon local and regional practices in the Tampa Bay area.

Members of the general public may attend the meeting. Real Audio and streaming video access to the meeting will be available at <http://www.fcc.gov/>. The public may submit written comments before the meeting to Barbara Kreisman, the Commission's Designated Federal Officer for MSRC.

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